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COMPETITIVE SOURCING/A-76 HELP DESK UPDATE

SYNOPSIS:

This supersedes A-Gram 98-40, October 1998. The HQ AFCESA A-76 Help Desk continues to provide on-call technical assistance to MAJCOMs and base civil engineers, responding to hundreds of questions related to competitive sourcing.

ACTIVITIES:

Help The Desk provides immediate response to CE technical issues related to the competitive sourcing/A-76 process. The Help Desk is actively seeking new information pertaining to ongoing as well as completed studies. Please share any competitive sourcing or A-76 information and past experiences with the Help Desk so we can cross-feed innovative ideas and improve the quality

and timeliness of CE functional support.
Current A-76
Help Desk activities are as follows:

 Maintain the Civil Engineering Commercial Activity Management Information System. This report is located on the AFCESA web site and contains information on completed and ongoing cost comparisons.

- Maintain a database of FAR Part 12 acquisitions on Custodial Services, Refuse Collection, and Grounds Maintenance.
- Maintain a library of A-76 documents.
- Maintain a listing of relevant A-76 web sites.
- Maintain a database of questions and answers on the AFCESA web site.
- Maintain the A-76 checklist for civil engineer cost comparisons (from planning to post cost comparison).
- Provide oversight of current A-76 cost comparisons in which bases are using contractor assistance.
- Develop Source Selection/ Evaluation Criteria for CE Squadrons and Flights.
- Maintain templates for technical performance plans and transition plans (Operations and Housing Plans on AFCESA web site).
- Benchmark civil engineer operations.

Future A-76 Help Desk activities include the following:

• Develop a database on lessons learned from completed cost comparisons.

- Improve the question and answer feedback system.
- Develop needed templates to support cost comparisons.

ACCESS:

The Help Desk can be reached by telephone (DSN 523-4970) or e-mail (A-76Desk@tynfl.TRW.com), or videoteleconference (VTC). Call or e-mail us to schedule a VTC.

SUMMARY

The A-76 Help Desk continues to provide engineering, manpower, and acquisition consultation to civil engineers as they address the complex issues of the A-76 process. Share your success stories with us, and we will publicize them on our web page for the civil engineering community.

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